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COAL-COAL

McAlester Coal \$7

This Week

Have On Hand A Full Line Of Lumber

Corn 73 cents.

D. E. McANAW

Hand Cut Off.

Thursday E. Stone received a phone message from Wapanucka stating that his brother, Ivan Stone, had a hand cut off while working in the gin there. Further particulars were not received at that time.

Friday additional word was received over the phone that it was his right hand and that it was cut off about two inches above the wrist.

Ivan is well known in and around Elgin, having clerked here at different times in his brother's store. He is a young man of sterling qualities and his many friends here regret very much to learn of the unfortunate accident.

He carried insurance in the Yeomen lodge and will draw \$250 from them on account of the accident.

Traded Routes.

Some time ago Carrier A. J. James on route 3 out of Elgin and Carrier John Cost on route 1 out of Brinkman, Okla., reached an agreement to make a transfer of routes and had their respective postmasters make application to the department for same. The department granted the transfer, setting the date for Feb. 1, 1915.

Mr. James loaded a car the first of this week to ship his goods to Brinkman and Mr. Cost will be here before Feb. 1 to enter upon his duties. Mr. Cost has relative around Fletcher and is a brother-in-law of the editor of the Fletcher Times, while Mr. James has relatives around Brinkman who are well pleased with the country there.

Played Fletcher.

J. H. Willhite, James Hagle, Columbus Price, Claud Wiggins and Albert Cremer went to Fletcher Friday night to play a game of basket ball there, the result being 25 to 8 in favor of Fletcher. Players on both sides have said that it was the roughest game they ever saw.

It was the intention to take Perley Bennett along for referee, but he had made a trip to Lawton that day and felt that he was not able to go. As a result the referee had to be selected from Fletcher and all kinds of slugging was indulged in but it went unnoticed by the referee.

Surprise.

Thursday, Jan. 21st was the 18th birthday of Monta Bennett and in honor of same, a number of his friends gathered at the Hotel Elgin, and from there marched to the Bennett home, where a pleasant evening was spent. Games were played and refreshments consisting of fruit and candy were served. All departed wishing Monta many happy birthdays in the future.

Post Office Information.

The January 1915 Postal Guide says:

"The department is again in receipt of complaints that postmasters are accepting for transmission in the mails packages containing unmailable and improperly packed skins and furs. Green or wet hides, skins or furs, and those having a bad odor, such as skunk skins, are not admissible to the mail under any conditions."

Neighborhood News.

One of the drug stores at Davidson sold out to the other one and the two have been combined.

W. A. McAtee has sold his interest in the First state bank at Davidson and bought into the Hastings National Bank.

Up to January 21, 4924 bales of cotton have been ginned at Davidson this season.

Because of not having enough taxes to maintain more months of public school, Frederick citizens have subscribed \$2400 for four months tuition school to begin after Jan. 29.

The National Bank of Commerce at Frederick has sued the Alexander Grain Co. of that place for \$19,000 and levied on several cars of grain and other property.

A fire at Hollister one week ago Sunday destroyed 204 bales of cotton on the right-of-way, all of which had been turned over to the railroad but 21 bales.

Up to Jan. 1 there had been 33,734 bales of cotton ginned in Tillman county this year compared with 14,889 one year ago.

Four persons narrowly escaped suffocation at Frederick from smoke from a stove pipe that fell down.

Two men near Hobart were badly scalded and burned by the explosion of an engine boiler.

In Harmon county 24,276 bales of cotton were ginned up to Jan. 1, compared with 7,419 bales last year.

Some fellow left a box of cigars in the office of the Harmon County Tribune, but that paper says the editor is too young to smoke and the associate editor is too busy writing subscription receipts.

An eagle has been caught near Snyder that measures 7 feet from tip to tip of its wings.

Hurrah for southwest Oklahoma. In the cotton reports up to Jan. 1, Jackson county with Altus as the county seat, was in the lead in this state with 45,644 bales, while Kiowa county with Hobart the county seat, had 40,155 bales.

A fellow accidentally dropped a revolver in the depot at Temple. The city marshal was one of the spectators so he was fined \$25 and trimmings for carrying concealed weapons.

A state quarantine officer visited Temple recently and among other things gave the mayor orders to move his stock pens outside the city.

Ray Harrison of Emerson in Cotton county died very suddenly of heart failure while calling numbers at a dance.

The Walters New Era offered to do the Cotton county printing at half the legal rate but the commissioners refused the offer, let it out to bids and are now paying a higher rate than was offered them.

Motorcycle After Feb. 1.

Permission has been received from the department at Washington, D. C., for John Cost, the new carrier on route 3, out of Elgin, to use a motorcycle in the delivery of his mail, said services to begin Feb. 10, 1915.

His schedule time to leave the office will be 8:30 the same as before, but the time to return will be 12:30 p. m., except when he has to use a horse, when it will be 4:30 p. m. Patrons of this route should keep in mind the date when this service begins.

Stallion And Two Jacks.

I have a registered stallion, and two Jacks, one registered, Black Spanish stock, and will make the season of 1915 at the Elgin Livery Barn.

L. D. Sparks.

Cold Wave.

About midnight Thursday night a cold wave from the north struck this locality and the warm spring weather of Thursday was changed to a very wintry, disagreeable day on Friday.

A College Town.

The play, A College Town, given by the Country Club at the school auditorium Saturday evening, drew a fair sized audience and all present seemed well pleased with the evening's entertainment. For a bunch of amateurs from the country, their rendition of the play was certainly hard to beat.

The play was replete with college pranks, songs and yells, the star part of which was the rooters coaching their home team in a foot ball game. And for one who had gone through college days and played on a foot ball team, it was hard to remain in the seat and keep quiet. The old college inspiration welled up in one's breast and made him want to join the ranks of the rooters once more.

In the early part of the play a young man got into trouble through some unbecoming acts and had to do some great planning to keep from being expelled from school. He had a college chum disguise to represent his aunt from New York and the disguised person met trouble on every hand. At last this young fellow proved the star player to win the foot ball game after which all was forgotten.

The Roseland Band of 12 pieces interspersed the program with some good music for boys of their ages, as most of the players are boys from 10 to 18 years old. In their playing they showed that they had not spent their spare time loafing on street corners or in public buildings, talking and giggling which is the height of the ambition of some young fellows, but have been busy on their practicing and storing up something that will be both a pleasure and a profit to them through life.

The proceeds of the evening amounted to \$17.80 and the expenses amounted to \$10.10, leaving \$3.85 for the school library fund, as each side received half of the net proceeds.

Basket Ball.

There will be a basket ball game in Elgin tonight between the Apache high school team and the Elgin town team. Both teams are getting in good shape and a good game is expected. Admission will be 20 cents for adults; children 12 years old and under 10 cents.

Cut His Foot.

Saturday evening while Laff Hall was chopping wood, the ax suddenly came off the handle and fell on his right foot, cutting quite a gash on the top of it, so that he was unable to carry the mail to the depot on Sunday. He is now able to be around.

On The Elgin Routes.

E. Goodin has moved from the star route to route 3 southwest of Elgin.

Substitute Cremer is carrying the mail on route 3 this week while the transfer in carriers is being made.

E. W. Golden on route 1 delivered over 40 head of fine hogs to Ryan & Wolcott at Elgin Thursday.

S. H. Herrin has moved from route 1 to a farm north of Elgin on an Apache route.

Carrier James of route 3 left Tuesday with his car of goods and stock for Brinkman, where he has a much better paying route.

Beginning Feb. 10 Carrier John Cost of route 3 will use a motorcycle.

Thos. Hayes of route 3 left this morning for Norman to get his auto, being compelled to leave it there last week on account of the mud.

Little Hazel Choens of route 1 is sick with pneumonia.

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MISSIVES FROM MISTLETOE

That little flurry of snow that softened the surface of old mother earth Saturday night reminded us of the rain last summer, very fine to look upon, but insufficient for our needs.

A. B. Sperling had a very near approach to a serious wreck last Wednesday when his gang-plow double tree broke by the plow striking a root, which scared his team and for a time a serious runaway seemed certain.

The pie supper at Mistletoe was a decided success considering the size of the crowd and the coldness of the weather. \$12.25 was realized which we think will be about sufficient for purchasing base and basket ball equipment for the school.

Tom Sperling and wife visited Sunday with her brother, L. P. McCraw.

Singing Sunday evening at Mistletoe was well attended.

Jess Townley spent Saturday night at A. B. Sperling's and incidentally called at the home of the Dotson family Sunday afternoon.

Clayton Myers seems to be inclined to like the beautiful driveway directly east from his home if we may judge from the regular Sunday afternoon journeys he makes in that direction—ask Blanche.

We must congratulate Jim Lake on his ability as a road over-seer. His recent work in this district showed that he knows his business and attends to it.

Mrs. Tom Sperling and Mrs. McCraw made a trip to Lawton last Thursday.

DEMOSTHENES

The CHAMPION 3 months, 25c

School Notes.

This is the first week of the second half of the school year, and the students of all grades seem to be starting out to make it the best half.

Tony Quigley is a new pupil in the primary room.

Lyma and Nona Hayes have been out of school since last Monday.

The students of the advanced room are talking a great deal about getting up a play for the benefit of the library.

Some of the pupils of the primary room are getting used to the taste of red pepper. They take it so they can sit still in their seats; gracious, how can it work!

The Freshmen class has finished its study of Physical Geography and will now take up Botany.

Mike Barrett has entered the advanced room to take up the eighth grade work.

Everyone seems very well satisfied with the examinations taken last week. We suppose all are glad that it was not more difficult than it was.

The program that was postponed from last Friday on account of the exams, will be given Friday of this week, bigger and better than ever. Come and enjoy yourself.

Mrs. Jennette Crosby, County Supt., visited the school one day last week.

An order has been made for some books with which to start the school library.

The boys again have great hopes of taking many prizes at the county contest at Lawton in April. They are practicing as though they mean business.

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